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To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2005

Mr. REGULA (for himself, Mr. NORWOOD, Mr. LATHAM, Mr. RYAN of Ohio, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. MEEHAN, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. BARROW, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. WAMP, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. McNULTY, Mrs. KELLY, Mr. LEACH, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. NEY, and Mr. SWEENEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. EXTENSIONS AND TECHNICAL CHANGES.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Division II of the Omnibus Parks
5 and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 (Public Law
6 104–333; 16 U.S.C. 461 note) is amended

1 (1) in each of sections 107, 208, 310, 408, 507,
2 607, 707, 811, and 910, by striking “September 30,
3 2012” and inserting “September 30, 2027”;

4 (2) in each of sections 108(a), 209(a), 311(a),
5 409(a), 508(a), 608(a), 708(a), 812(a), and 909(c),
6 by striking “\$10,000,000” and inserting
7 “\$20,000,000”;

8 (3) in title VIII, by striking “Canal National
9 Heritage Corridor” each place it appears in the sec-
10 tion headings and text and inserting “National Her-
11 itage Canalway”;

12 (4) in section 805(b)—

13 (A) by striking “The Committee shall be
14 comprised of 21 members” and inserting “The
15 Committee shall be comprised of 33 members”;
16 and

17 (B) by adding at the end the following new
18 paragraphs:

19 “(9) Six at-large individuals appointed by the
20 Ohio & Erie Canal Association.

21 “(10) One individual from each of the following
22 appointed by the Ohio & Erie Canal Association:

23 “(A) Tuscarawas County Park Depart-
24 ment.

25 “(B) Foundation Community.

1 “(C) Regional Community Development.

2 “(D) Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad.

3 “(11) Two individuals from the marketing and
4 interpretation field appointed by the Ohio & Erie
5 Canal Association.”; and

6 (5) by striking the first sentence in subsection
7 (e) of section 805 and inserting the following: “All
8 vacancies in the Committee shall be filled by the
9 Ohio & Erie Canal Association.”.

10 (b) NATIONAL COAL HERITAGE AREA AMEND-
11 MENTS.—Title I of Division II of the Omnibus Parks and
12 Public Lands Management Act of 1996 is amended as fol-
13 lows:

14 (1) In section 103(b)—

15 (A) by striking “comprised of the coun-
16 ties” and inserting “shall be comprised of the
17 following:

18 “(1) The counties”; and

19 (B) by inserting after paragraph (1) (as so
20 designated by paragraph (1) of this subsection)
21 the following new paragraphs:

22 “(2) Lincoln County, West Virginia.

23 “(3) Paint Creek and Cabin Creek within
24 Kanawha County, West Virginia.”.

1 (2) In section 104, by striking “Governor” and
2 all that follows through “organizations” and insert-
3 ing “National Coal Heritage Area Authority, a pub-
4 lic corporation and government instrumentality es-
5 tablished by the State of West Virginia, pursuant to
6 which the Secretary shall assist the National Coal
7 Heritage Area Authority”.

8 (3) In section 105—

9 (A) by striking “paragraphs (2) and (5)
10 of”; and

11 (B) by adding at the end the following:
12 “Resources within Lincoln County, West Vir-
13 ginia, and Paint Creek and Cabin Creek within
14 Kanawha County, West Virginia, shall also be
15 eligible for assistance as determined by the Na-
16 tional Coal Heritage Area Authority.”.

17 (4) In section 106—

18 (A) by striking “Governor” and all that
19 follows through “and Parks” and inserting
20 “National Coal Heritage Area Authority”; and

21 (B) in subsection (a)(3), by striking “State
22 of West Virginia” and all that follows through
23 “entities” and inserting “National Coal Herit-
24 age Area Authority”.

1 (c) CONTINUATION OF AGREEMENT.—The contrac-
2 tual agreement entered into by the Secretary of the Inte-
3 rior and the Governor of West Virginia prior to the date
4 of enactment of this Act pursuant to section 104 of title
5 I of Division II of the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands
6 Management Act of 1996 shall be deemed as continuing
7 in effect except that such agreement shall be between the
8 Secretary and the National Coal Heritage Area Authority.

9 (d) SOUTH CAROLINA HERITAGE AREA AMEND-
10 MENT.—Section 604(b)(2) of title VI of Division II of the
11 Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of
12 1996 is amended by adding at the end the following new
13 subparagraph:

14 “(O) Berkeley County.”.

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